his Maj^{ty} and the ffrench King with the sev^rall Articles thereof Original as also the R^t hon^{ble} the Lords Com^{rs} for Trade & fforraigne Journal. plantations their Letter to me concerning the said proclamation p. 6 (which being read his Ex^{cy} ffurther added)

Mr Speaker I here give you his Majiys most gracious Speech to both Houses of Parliament on ffriday the third of December 1697 And by the Latter parte of It you will finde how Extraordinary happy all of us are Who have the good ffortune

of being Subjects to so great a King.

Gentlemen His Maj^{tys} Royall Commission & Instructions to me pursuant to some of them, by the advice & consent of his Maj^{tys} hon^{ble} Councill and the Late house of Delegates I have allreaddy on his Maj^{tys} behalfe passed Sev^rall Laws & Ordinances And I hope that (by the divine Assistance) you will agree to p^rsent such others as are still wanting and shall be consonant to the Writt by which you are here mett, that I may pass them Likewise And when you Gentlemen of the house of Delegates are ready, I shall Order to be Laid before you the particulars Especially concerning the Church, the Indians the Militia, the School, about altering the Winter County Courts and a Certaine Methode of holding Assemblys

Their Lordps the Lords Justices Proclamation for publishing the peace between his Sacred Maj^{ty} and the ffrench King.

The Articles of the peace, And the R^t hon^{ble} the Lords of the Councill for Trade & fforraigne plantations Letter with their directions to his Ex^{cy} for publishing the said peace, within this his Maj^{tys} Province of Maryland being reade in full in Assembly att the same tyme all the Shipps in the harbour discharged their great Guns His Ex^{cy} Afterwards being pleased to give the whole Assembly a Gen^{II} Entertainment, where all Imaginable Joy for such happy Newes was Exprest in drinking his Maj^{tys} health &^{ca}

Att a Councill in a Gen¹¹ Assembly Mett & held at the Port of Annapolis the 11th day of March 1697/8. In the Tenth p. 7 Yeare of his Maj^{tys} Raigne &^{ca}

Present

His Ex^{cy} ffrancis Nicholson Esq^r Cap^t Gen^{ll} &^{cs}
Colonel Henry Jowles
Colonel George Robotham
Colonel John Addison
Thomas Brooks Esq^r

Produced by his Excy & read a Commission under the broade